

MARLBORO COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

MARLBORO COUNTY CONFERENCE ROOM

MONDAY, JANUARY 4, 2010

6:00 PM

Kenneth Rosser, Chairman
Douglas O'Tuel, Vice-Chairman

PLANNING COMMISSION:

Robert Johnson, *
E. L. Johnakin, *
Emma Bethea,
Melvin Carabo, and

Kenneth Rosser,
Douglas O'Tuel,
Ronald Brown
Johnny Sellers *

* ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Kenneth Rosser, Chairman called the meeting to order.

INVOCATION – Mr. Douglas O'Tuel.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Nominations and Election of Chairman

Motion made by Mr. Douglas O'Tuel, seconded by Mr. Melvin Carabo, to nominate Mr. Kenneth Rosser as Chairman of the Planning Commission.

Motion made by Ms. Emma Bethea, seconded by Mr. Melvin Carabo to bring the nominations to a close. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

The Planning Commission members were requested to affirm the recognition of Mr. Kenneth Rosser as Planning Commission Chairman. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Kenneth Rosser, Chairman proceeded with the meeting.

Nominations & Election of Vice-Chairman

Motion made by Mr. Melvin Carabo, seconded by Ms. Emma Bethea to nominate Mr. Douglas O'Tuel as Vice-Chairman of the Planning Commission.

Motion made by Mr. Melvin Carabo, seconded by Ms. Emma Bethea to bring the nominations to a close. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion Carried.

The Planning Commission members were requested to affirm the recognition of Mr. Douglas O'Tuel as Planning Commission Vice-Chairman. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – NOVEMBER 2, 2009.

Mr. Bob Eskridge, Codes Enforcement Officer requested clarification on page two of the minutes under the discussion of fencing surrounding in-ground swimming pools. Mr. Eskridge referred to his statement “there is nothing in the codes which mandate fencing around in-ground swimming pools. He wished to clarify with the addition of the statement “there is nothing in the codes as adopted by Marlboro County”.

Motion made by Mr. Melvin Carabo, seconded by Mr. Ronald Brown, to approve the minutes of November 2, 2009 as amended. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF ZONING ORDINANCE # 545 IN REFERENCE TO KENNELS.

General Discussion was held concerning Ordinance # 545 in reference to Kennels. Mr. Kenneth Rosser advised he would like it to be changed to include “all animals”. Various discussion held included: animals must be under control of the owner, not being hazardous to the environment, looking at it as more of a “nuisance” than a “number”. All board members after reading a section taken from the City of Columbia’s ordinance were in agreement to possibly use their ordinance as a role model. All board members were in agreement to table a decision for further review.

Motion made by Ms. Emma Bethea, seconded by Mr. Melvin Carabo to table the decision until the next meeting. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF RECREATIONAL TRAILERS BEING USED AS PERMANENT RESIDENCES.

Mr. Bob Eskridge suggested putting the issue on hold until he could obtain information. He advised the State is looking at the situation. He advised staff needs to investigate it further.

Motion made by Ms. Emma Bethea, seconded by Mr. Ronald Brown, to table the issue for further discussion. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION OF FENCING SURROUNDING IN-GROUND SWIMMING POOLS.

Mr. Bob Eskridge, Codes Enforcement Officer advised if the county wished to adopt the amendment, they must adopt the complete appendix G as stated under the South Carolina Law. After various discussion, board members were in agreement to review the standards on above ground pools and fencing and to discuss at the next board meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Douglas O'Tuel, seconded by Ms. Emma Bethea to table for further discussion. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION & SETTING OF MEETING SCHEDULE

Mr. Melvin Carabo advised he had a conflict with the first Monday of the month and questioned whether the board could consider the third or fourth Monday of the month. All board members were in agreement for Mr. Bob Eskridge to poll all board members and bring back a recommendation at the next meeting.

Motion made by Mr. Douglas O'Tuel, seconded by Mr. Melvin Carabo to schedule the next Planning Commission meeting for March 15, 2010 at 6 p.m. Vote in favor. Unanimous. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

Hearing no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

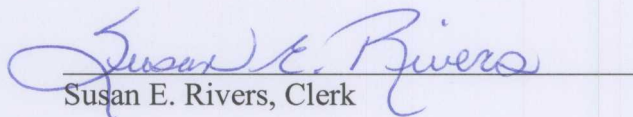
Motion made by Mr. Melvin Carabo, seconded by Ms. Emma Bethea, to adjourn the meeting.

(SEAL)



Kenneth Rosser, Chairman
Marlboro County Planning Commission

ATTEST:



Susan E. Rivers, Clerk

Date Adopted: March 15, 2010